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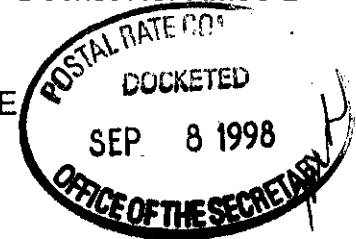
Before Commissioners: Edward J. Gleiman, Chairman;
George W. Haley, Vice Chairman;
Ruth Y. Goldway; W.H. "Trey" LeBlanc III;
and George Omas

Revisions to Library Reference Rule

Docket No. RM98-2

NOTICE OF FILING LIBRARY REFERENCE

(September 8, 1998)



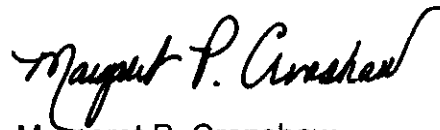
The Commission is filing, in its Docket Section, two copies of Notice of Inquiry No. 1 (NOI) on Interpretation of Commission Rules Authorizing the Use of Library References, along with accompanying responses ("RM98-2-PRC-LR-1"). The referenced NOI was issued September 17, 1997, in Docket No. R97-1.

The NOI, which consists of about two pages of text, reviewed some of the concerns that emerged in Docket No. R97-1 about the Service's use of library references. It also invited comments from participants on several points, including whether any revisions to the Commission's rules were needed to address practices that have evolved in this area. In addition to the Postal Service and the Office of the Consumer Advocate, comments were filed by the Alliance of Nonprofit Mailers, the Newspaper Association of America, photofinishers Nashua Photo Inc., District Photo Inc., Mystic Color Lab and Seattle FilmWorks, Inc. (filing collectively), and Parcel Shippers Association.

As indicated in Order No. 1218, proposed revisions to the Commission's rule on the use of library references draw, in part, on suggestions and observations raised by the commenters. Since neither the NOI nor the comments are reproduced in their

entirety as part of Order No. 1218, the Commission believes that compiling them in a library reference will foster convenience and ease of use for those interested in this rulemaking.

The contents of the library reference are available (in PDF format) by accessing the RM98-2 page of the Commission's website at www.prc.gov.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Margaret P. Crenshaw". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Margaret P. Crenshaw
Secretary